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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:
Olgado, et al.
Serial No.: 09/676,362
Confirmation No.: 2179
Filed: September 29, 2000
For: Stable Cell Platform

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 3632

Examiner: Kimberly T. Wood

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 27, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 29, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/2601.P4/AOP, the amount of \$168.00 for excess claim fees, and any additional amount for other fees, including extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

The prior art made of record is noted. However, it is believed that the secondary references are no more pertinent to the Applicants' disclosure than the primary references cited in the office action. Therefore, it is believed that a detailed discussion of the secondary references is not deemed necessary for a full and complete response to this office action. Accordingly, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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